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§ 19.62 Alternate methods or procedures.

The proprietor, on specific approval by the appropriate TTB officer as provided in this paragraph, may use an alternate method or procedure in lieu of a method or procedure specifically prescribed in this part. The appropriate TTB officer may approve an alternate method or procedure, subject to stated conditions, when he finds that—

- (a) Good cause has been shown for the use of the alternate method or procedure:
- (b) The alternate method or procedure is within the purpose of, and consistent with the effect intended by, the specifically prescibed method or procedure, and affords equivalent security to the revenue; and
- (c) The alternate method or procedure will not be contrary to any provision of law, and will not result in an increase in cost to the Government or hinder the effective administration of this part. No alternate method or procedure relating to the giving of any bond or to the assessment, payment, or collection of tax, shall be authorized under this paragraph. Where the proprietor desires to employ an alternate method or procedure, he shall submit a written application to do so to the appropriate TTB officer. The application shall specifically describe the proposed alternate method or procedure, and shall set forth the reasons therefor. Alternate methods or procedures shall not be employed until the application has been approved by the appropriate TTB officer. The proprietor shall, during the period of authorization of an alternate method or procedure, comply with the terms of the approved application. Authorization for any alternate method or procedure may be withdrawn whenever in the judgment of the appropriate TTB officer the revenue is jeopardized or the effective administration of this part is hindered by the continuation of such authorization. As used in this paragraph, alternate methods or procedures shall include alternate construction or equipment.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85–859, 72 Stat. 1353, as amended, 1395, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5178, 5552))

§19.63 Pilot operations.

The appropriate TTB officer may waive any regulatory provisions of 26 U.S.C. Chapter 51, and of the regulations in this part, for temporary pilot or experimental operations for the purpose of facilitating the development and testing of improved methods of governmental supervision (necessary for the protection of the revenue) over plants. For this purpose, the appropriate TTB officer may, with the approval of the proprietor thereof, designate any plant for such operations. The provision of law and regulations waived and the period of time during which such waiver shall continue shall be stated in writing by the appropriate TTB officer. The provisions of this section shall not be construed as authority to waive the filing of any bond or the payment of any tax, including special (occupational) tax, provided for in 26 U.S.C. Chapter 51.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85–859, 72 Stat. 1395, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5554))

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§19.64 [Reserved]

§ 19.65 Experimental distilled spirits plants.

The appropriate TTB officer may authorize the establishment and operation of experimental plants for specific and limited periods of time solely for experimentation in, or development of—

- (a) Sources of materials from which spirits may be produced;
- (b) Processes by which spirits may be produced or refined; or
- (c) Industrial uses of spirits.

The appropriate TTB officer may waive any provision of 26 U.S.C. Chapter 51 (other than 26 U.S.C. 5312) and of this part (other than this section and §19.66) to the extent he deems necessary to effectuate the purposes of 26 U.S.C. 5312(b), except that he may not waive the payment of any tax on spirits removed from such plant. A proprietor of an experimental distilled spirits plant established under this section is subject to special (occupational) tax under subpart Ca of this part and shall hold a